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Sir:

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The documents AF and AG were cited in the European Search Report dated March 5, 2007 for the corresponding European patent application No. 03 817 996.6. A copy of the European Search Report is also enclosed.

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